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In re: Patent application of  
Peter Oosterling

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For: APPARATUS FOR AND A METHOD OF  
ANCHORING A FIRST CONDUIT TO A  
SECOND CONDUIT

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C.371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (copy enclosed), mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 8, 2002. This response is being timely filed within the two (2) month period set for response.

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In response to the requirements identified in the Notification, Applicant submits the enclosed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The fee for late submission of the Declaration has already been paid. If any additional fee is determined to be due, please charge such fee (and credit any overcharge) to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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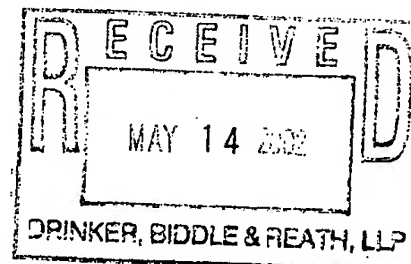
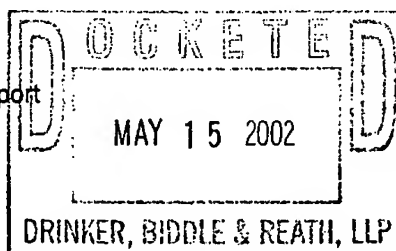
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
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- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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